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SUBJECT: MBFR: WORKING GROUP STUDIES ON NEW EASTERN
- GROUND AND AIR FORCE DATA

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SUMMARY: THE MBFR WORKING GROUP DEALT WITH MINOR FRG AND
UK CONCERNS RESPECTIVELY ON GROUND AND AIR FORCE DATA
STUDIES. AGREEMENT BY SILENCE PROCEDURE IS SET FOR COB
THURSDAY 1 JUNE. END SUMMARY.

1. EASTERN GROUND FORCE DATA STUDY

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- AT WG MEETING 30 MAY, FRG NOTED SEVERAL DESIRED
CORRECTIONS TO WG STUDY ON EASTERN GROUND FORCE DATA. FRG
SOUGHT THROUGH ITS REVISIONS TO REINFORCE THAT THE WEST
DOES NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPT EASTERN CLAIMS THAT MANY OF
ITS FORCES PERFORM SERVICES PERFORMED BY CIVILIANS IN
WESTERN FORCES. FOLLOWING ARE FRG REQUESTED CHANGES

- (A) PARA 18 (REF E)
- "...MILITARY SERVICEMEN PERFORMING FUNCTIONS FOR
- THE ARMED FORCES FOR WHICH THE EAST CLAIMS THE
- WEST EMPLOYS LARGE NUMBERS OF CIVILIANS."
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- (B) PARA 29 (STATE 120727 AMENDED BY REF B)
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- (1) SOVIET - CHANGE "ANALOGOUS" TO "SIMILAR"
- (2) POLISH - REWRITE SECOND SENTENCE TO READ
- "PERSONNEL (THE BULK OF WHOM ARE IN THOSE
- UNITS) CLAIMED BY THE EAST TO BE
- PERFORMING SUPPORT FUNCTIONS SIMILAR TO
- THOSE PERFORMED BY CIVILIANS IN THE
- WESTERN FORCES."
- (3) CZECH
- "TROOPS PERFORMING TERRITORIAL OR SUPPORT
- FUNCTIONS SIMILAR TO THOSE WHICH THE
- EAST CLAIMS ARE PERFORMED BY CIVILIANS
- IN WESTERN FORCES."
- (4) GDR (FINAL PHRASE OF SECOND SENTENCE)
- "...TROOPS PERFORMING SUPPORT FUNCTIONS
- SIMILAR TO THOSE WHICH THE EAST CLAIMS
- ARE PERFORMED BY CIVILIANS IN THE
- WESTERN FORCES."

2. EASTERN AIR FORCE DATA STUDY (REF C)

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- (A) UK INTRODUCED SEVERAL MINOR EDITORIAL AMENDMENTS
- INTENDED TO CLARIFY DATA DEVELOPMENTS AND ELABORATE
- THEM MORE PRECISELY.
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- (B) FOLLOWING ARE UK REQUESTED REVISIONS
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- (1) REWRITE PARA 2
- "ON 4 APRIL 1978, ADDITIONAL AIR FORCE DATA
- WAS EXCHANGED AS AGREED, I.E. THE EAST TABLED
- A TOTAL MANPOWER FIGURE FOR EACH DIRECT PARTI-
- CIPANT BUT AGREED TO STUDY THE WESTERN
- PROPOSAL TO DIVIDE FOR EACH PARTICIPANT THE
- DATA ON ITS AIR FORCE MANPOWER BETWEEN MAJOR
- FORMATIONS AND OTHERS AND TO ENDEAVOUR TO
- RESPOND TO IT IN A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE MANNER."
- (2) AMEND OPENING OF FIRST SENTENCE TO READ
- "THIS IS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS WHICH IS
- ESSENTIALLY DESIGNED..."
- (3) DELETE "PRECISELY" IN LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 4.
- (4) FOOTNOTE 2(A) IN STATISTICAL ANNEX
- "...HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM GROUND TO AIR

- FORCES."

3. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, WG ALSO DECIDED TO PUT STUDIES INTO "FINAL" FORM INSTEAD OF CONTINUING THEM AS WORKING PAPERS. DOCUMENTS ARE STILL RECOGNIZED AS PRELIMINARY AND OBVIOUSLY SUBJECT TO FURTHER CHANGE RESULTING FROM DISCUSSIONS IN VIENNA BUT WG STAFF REGARDED IT AS ADMINISTRATIVELY MORE CONVENIENT TO TRANSMIT APPROVED "FINAL" DOCUMENTS TO THE SPC AND AHG.

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REEMPHASIZING US CONFIDENCE IN NATO DATA ASSESSMENTS OF WP FORCES AND THE US CONCLUSION THAT THE BULK OF THE DISCREPANCY IS FROM EASTERN EXCLUSIONS RATHER THAN INTELLIGENCE ERROR.

5. WG SET AGREEMENT BY SILENCE PROCEDURE ON GROUND AND AIR DATA STUDIES FOR COB THURSDAY 1 JUNE. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON CONCURRENCE. WILSON

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